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SUBJECT: UNC CONDUCT OF MAC MEETINGS

REF: (A) STATE 083051, (B) STATE 79776

1. I SHARE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN REGARDING UNCMAC HANDLING MOST RECENT MAC MEETING AND SPECIFICALLY UNCMAC SENIOR REP'VS REPORTED STATEMENT THAT UNC MIGHT NOT ACCEDE TO FUTURE NORTH KOREAN REQUEST FOR MEETING UNLESS AGENDA ITEMS PROVIDED IN ADVANCE. THIS LATTER STATEMENT WAS NOT AMONG STATEMENTS PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR MEETING WHICH EMBASSY CLEARED. RATHER IT WAS ON-THE-SPOT REACTION BY SENIOR MAC REP MADE DESPITE SPECIFIC ADVANCE WARNING TO SENIOR MAC REP BY POLCOUNS TO KEEP MEETING LOW KEY AS INSTRUCTED REF B. AS SOON AS I SAW SENIOR REP'S STATEMENT I ASKED MY STAFF TO POINT OUT TO UNC INCONSISTENCY THIS STATEMENT WITH PAST PRACTICE AND US INTERESTS, AND THIS WAS DONE. I HAVE SINCE PERSONALLY RAISED THIS WITH UNC AND HAVE INSTRUCTED THAT MAC MEETING REQUESTS BY NORTH NOT BE REFUSED AS INDICATED AND THAT NO FURTHER STATEMENTS TO THIS EFFECT BE MADE, AND THAT LONG ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES BE FOLLOWED WITH NO INNOVATION. I FEEL SURE THIS INSTRUCTION IS WELL UNDERSTOOD AND WILL BE FOLLOWED AND THAT

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UNLESS I ADVISE YOU OTHERWISE NO FURTHER INSTRUCTION ON

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